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MOSCOW IZVESTIYA IN RUSSIAN 19 AUG 85 MORNING EDITION P 5

((OWN CORRESPONDENT G. USTINOV DISPATCH UNDER THE RUBRIC

"19 AUGUST IS THE DAY OF THE RETORATION OF AFGHAN INDEPENDENCE":

"THE COMMANDER'S NAME IS (FIRUZA)"; FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS ARE
EDITORIAL INTRODUCTION))

((TEXT)) THE AFGHAN PEOPLE ARE CELEBRATING THEIR

FESTIVAL -- THE DAY OF THE RESTORATION OF INDEPENDENCE. THE HISTORIC
VICTORY OVER THE COLONIALISTS WAS WON 66 YEARS AGO.

SOVIET RUSSIA WAS THE FIRST COUNTRY TO RECOGNIZE AFGHANISTAN'S

INDEPENDENCE. SOVIET-AFGHAN FRIENDSHIP HAS STRENGTHENED CONSIDERABLY

SINCE THE APRIL 1978 REVOLUTION AND THE PROCLAMATION OF THE DRA.

THE PEOPLE OF AFGHANISTAN ARE FULLY DETERMINED TO TRAVEL THE PATH OF
REVOLUTIONARY TRANSFORMATIONS, REPULSING AGGRESSIVE ACTIONS FROM
WITHOUT.

KABUL -- THE BATTLE HAD BEEN BRIEF. THE ATTEMPT BY A SMALL
GROUP OF DUSHMANS TO PENETRATE KABUL, AVOIDING THE MAIN ROADS
WITH THEIR PATROLS, HAD FAILED. THE BANDITS WERE MAKING THEIR WAY
BACK TO THE MOUNTAINS. THEY CERTAINLY WERE NOT EXPECTING TO
ENCOUNTER SUCH A STRONGPOST HERE. ON THE CITY'S SOUTHWEST OUTSKIRTS,
NEAR THE SIMPLE ADOBE HUTS SURROUNDED BY FIELDS AND TRUCK GARDENS,
AS IN A VILLAGE. SHOTS RANG OUT ONCE AGAIN, AND THREE PEOPLE WERE
LEFT LYING ON THE GROUND. IT MADE NO DIFFERENCE TO TWO OF THEM,
BUT HE -- ALI-KHAN, THE GANG LEADER... OVERCOMING THE PAIN, HE
COWERED IN A FURROW AND SILENTLY CURSED HIS MATES FOR ABANDONING
AN INJURED MAN. BUT PERHAPS HE WOULD BE LUCKY, AND NOT BE FOUND..?
"THROW THE SUBMACHINE GUN AWAY!" -- HE HEARD A FIRM VOICE BEHIND
HIS BACK.

ALI WAS AMAZED. A WOMAN? AND MORE AND MORE, EXCITED AND OUT OF

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BREATH, WERE RUNNING UP FROM VARIOUS DIRECTIONS. AND ALL WITH WEAPONS IN THEIR HANDS.

"WELL?" -- THE WOMAN SHOUTED STERNLY.

HE DID NOT HAVE A CHANCE. HE GAVE A CROOKED GRIN AND THREW THE SUBMACHINE GUN AT HER FEET.

WHEN HE WAS TAKEN TO THE NEAREST SARANDOI (MILITIA) STATION, HE FORGOT HIS INJURY AND SWORE TERRIBLY: "IF WE HAD KNOWN THAT THERE WERE WOMEN IN FRONT OF US, WE WOULD HAVE FOUGHT QUITE DIFFERENTLY. WE WOULD HAVE CHOPPED YOU UP LIKE CABBAGE..."

"ARE YOU SURE?" -- (FIRUZA) SAID. HER FACE FLUSHED, AND HER BLACK HAIR WITH PREMATURE GRAY STREAKS PEEPED OUT FROM UNDER HER SHAWL. A DISDAINFUL SMILE LURKED IN HER HUGE EYES: IF THIS BANDIT HAD KNOWN THAT SHE HAD DOZENS OF SUCH SKIRMISHES BEHIND HERE AND THAT HE WAS BY NO MEANS THE FIRST "LIVING TROPHY" TAKEN BY HER DETACHMENT.

TWO DAYS LATER A FAMILIAR SARANDOI OFFICER, WHO HAD LONG BEEN PATRONIZING THEIR DETACHMENT, CAME TO SEE (FIRUZA).

"CONGRATULATIONS, COMMANDER| THIS TIME IT WAS A PARTICULARLY WEIGHTY CATCH. ALI-KHAN'S GROUP WAS TAKING BOOBY TRAP MINES INTO THE CITY: 'CIGARETTE PACKETS,' 'FOUNTAIN PENS,' 'CANS...' AND WE HAVE LONG BEEN LOOKING FOR THE LEADER HIMSELF. HE HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SEVERAL SERIOUS ACTS OF TERRORISM. THANKS FOR THE SERVICE| WE HAVE DECIDED TO RECOMMEND YOU FOR AN AWARD."

ON THE EVE OF 8 MARCH ANAHITA RATEBZAB, MEMBER OF THE PDPA CENTRAL COMMITTEE POLITBURO, PRESENTED (FIRUZA) WITH THE MEDAL "FOR SELFLESSNESS." SINCE THEN THE COMMANDER HAS NOT REMOVED IT FROM HER BREAST.

...GOLKHANEH IS AN ORDINARY, POOR SETTLEMENT. FOR MANY YEARS THE LANDLESS PEASANTS WHO HAD LEFT FOR KABUL SETTLED THERE OF THEIR OWN ACCORD, BUILDING ONE CLAY HUT UP AGAINST ANOTHER. ALONGSIDE EACH ONE THERE WAS A SMALL GARDEN, A MEADOW, A PASTURE, OR FIELD. A VILLAGE, AND THAT IS ALL. (FIRUZA) ALSO MOVED THERE AT ONE TIME FROM VARDAK PROVINCE. WHEN SHE WAS 15, THE GIRL MARRIED SOMEONE AS POOR AS SHE WAS. HE WAS 20 YEARS OLDER THAN SHE. BUT DURING HIS LIFE HE ACQUIRED JUST A SIMPLE ADOBE HUT, WHERE THEIR FAMILY STILL LIVES, AND A MODEST 3-(DZHERIB) PLOT OF LAND (THERE ARE 5 (DZHERIBS) TO THE HECTARE). EVEN TODAY THEY LIVE ON THE HARVEST FROM THAT FIELD.

OF COURSE, THERE HAVE BEEN MANY CHANGES IN GOLKHANEH. THE SETTLEMENT NOW HAS MORE SOLID HOUSES. THE PEOPLE'S POWER HAS BUILT A HOSPITAL. THERE ARE DOZENS OF STORES AND CRAFT WORKSHOPS, AND A NEW SCHOOL IS BEING BUILT -- THE DUSHMANS BURNED DOWN THE OLD ONE 4 YEARS AGO, AND ALL THIS TIME THE CHILDREN HAVE BEEN STUDYING FAR FROM HOME.

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